



THE DOWNTOWN WESTMINSTER MAIN STREET NEWS

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The Art History Series Presents “*Japonisme in 19th Century Painting*” at the Carroll Arts Center on May 3rd

The opening of the trade routes to Japan in the mid 19th Century brought an influx of all things Japanese into Europe. Join Susan Williamson, Visual Arts Coordinator, as she presents specific examples of that influence in composition, subject matter and style of 19th Century painting as part of the on-going Art History Series at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, May 3rd, at noon and 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 per person and \$8.00 for Arts Council members, students with ID and seniors 60 years & over. For more information, call the Carroll Arts Center at (410) 848-7272.

Local Photographer Phil Grout is the Featured Artist at Off Track Art for May & June; Artist Reception is May 4th

Off Track Art, 11 Liberty Street - Side Entrance, invites you to enjoy an exhibition by local guest artist, Phil Grout, from Friday, May 4th through the end of June. A selection of photography from Mr. Grout's career as a photojournalist and fine art photographer will be on display at the gallery. An opening reception will be held on Friday, May 4th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with refreshments being served. Hours of the exhibition are: Wednesdays through Fridays from noon to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free.

The Amber Maurer Solo Art Show Opens at Birdie's Cafe is May 4th

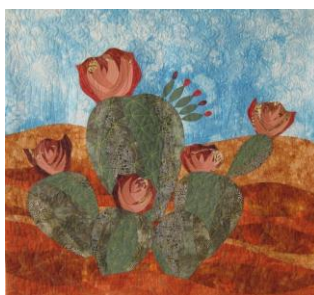
Birdie's Cafe, 233 East Main Street, invites you to attend the Opening Reception for Amber Maurer's Solo Art Exhibition on Friday, May 4th, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Amber, a local artist, works in oil paint, colored pencils, fiber art, pencil, video, stop-action video, photography and printmaking. She is both a conceptual and realist artist. If you cannot make the opening, her works will be on display through the month of May.

Carroll County Arts Council and Maryland Ensemble Theatre Present “*Wonderland!*” May 4th - 6th

The Carroll County Arts Council and Maryland Ensemble Theatre are pleased to present the delightful musical “*Wonderland!*” at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, from May 4th to May 6th. Featuring more than 40 young actors, singers and dancers from grades 3 - 5, *Wonderland!* is an unabashedly silly adaptation of Lewis Carroll's *Through the Looking Glass*. It follows Alice's adventures while trying to become a Queen in a chess game with living pieces. You'll love the toe-tapping musical renditions of “Jabberwocky” and “The Walrus and the Carpenter,” as well as other great numbers such as “Anything's Possible,” “Step by Step” and the hysterical “I Was a Good Egg But Then I Done Went Bad,” sung by Humpty Dumpty and the Dixie Chickens! Performances are at 7:00 p.m. on May 4th and 5th, and 3:00 p.m. on May 5th and May 6th. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for Arts Council members, students under 18 and seniors 60 years & over. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.



Sara Stromberg plays Alice
in *Wonderland!*



Desert Roses by Karen Brown



Let It Grow by Elaine Brandes

Examples of what you will see in the *Fiber Fantasies* Exhibition

Fiber Fantasies Fill the Walls of the Tevis Gallery through June 1st

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to present *Fiber Fantasies* in the Tevis Gallery through June 1st during regular Arts Center hours. Since the 1970s, fiber arts have come into their own with both women and men working in everything from traditional, historic pattern quilts and tapestries to new forms of mixed media fiber including hand dyeing fabrics, photo transfer, open needle sewing machine embroidery and more. These works of art are created very much the same as a sculpture or painting. Preliminary sketches, selection of materials threads and fibers then the actual construction of the work takes hours, if not days, leading into months. *Fiber Fantasies* presents the art of the landscape in fiber. Step into the Tevis Gallery and take a closer look for a ‘more than meets the eye’ exhibit. The artists featured in this exhibition are Elaine Brandes, Karen Brown, Judi Froehlinger-Schlichter, Alice Magorian and Deb Slechta.

May 5th is Free Comic Book Day at Gotham Comics

Once again Gotham Comics, 15 East Main Street, Suite B-1, will be participating in National Free Comic Book Day on Saturday, May 5th, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Drop in and choose from dozens of different comic books by some of the industry's biggest creators. These specially created comic books feature both classic and newer characters. No purchase is necessary. Just go in and take your pick! Try one or try them all and be sure to pick-up Gotham Comics' special Free Comic Book Day coupon good for savings throughout the summer. For more information, contact Gotham Comics at (410) 848-7447.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *Silly Goose & Val See the Sea* on May 5th

Join ventriloquist Val Smalkin for a show featuring Silly Goose, as well as a dolphin, sea nettles, ducks, fish, and even a fox at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Saturday, May 5th, beginning at 3:00 p.m. The program is made up of “sing” and “play along” songs designed for 3 to 9 year old children and their families. Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Westminster UMC Hosts the “Feeding Appalachia Through Music” Concert on May 5th

Westminster United Methodist Church, at the corner of East Main and Center Streets, will be the venue for the “Feeding Appalachia Through Music” Concert on Saturday, May 5th, at 6:00 pm. This concert featuring Bluesman Christopher James and the Standard Delivery Jazz Combo is a fundraising event to support the Girl Scout Gold Project of Cheyenne Marlin. Money raised will go to the production of a low-cost, healthy recipe cookbook and the travel expenses for a trip to Pikeville, KY in order for Cheyenne to teach a class of some of the recipes in the book. Tickets are \$10.00 per person; age 5 and under are free and available at Eclecticity, 13 John Street, or at the door. Cheyenne’s cookbooks will also be for sale at the concert for \$10 each. For more information, call (443) 340-9398.

Giulianova Presents an A-Y-C-E Italian Buffet with a Performance by *When Thunder Comes* on May 5th

Chef Billy Schroeder of Giulianova Groceria & Italian Deli, 11 East Main Street, strikes again with dinner and a show on Saturday, May 5th, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Chef Billy will prepare an all-you-can-eat Italian buffet while the band When Thunder Comes entertains. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. For tickets and information, call Billy Schroeder at (410) 876-7425. You better hurry as they are going fast!

Mt. Airy on the B&O Railroad is the Topic for the Box Lunch Talk on May 8th

The town of Mt. Airy sits in a unique position at the junction of three counties. Join Mike Eacho, President of the Mt. Airy Historical Society, as he discusses the history and development of Mt. Airy focusing on the role of the B&O Railroad, the planes of Parr’s Ridge, the neighboring communities and the fires that have plagued the town at the Tuesday, May 8th, Box Lunch Talk. Presented by the Historical Society of Carroll County (HSCC), the Box Lunch Talks are a monthly lecture series on topics relating to local history. The talks are held on the second Tuesday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. at Carroll Post #31 of the American Legion at the corner of East Green and Sycamore Streets. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch. Beverages and dessert are provided for all. Admission is \$1.00 for Historical Society members and \$4.00 for non-members.

Westminster Flower & Jazz Festival Hits Main Street on Saturday, May 12th

The Westminster Flower & Jazz Festival returns to Downtown Westminster on Saturday, May 12th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The festival area once again will encompass the 1st block of both East and West Main Street, along with the Gehr Parking Lot. De la Tierra Gardens, Tomatoes, Etc., Wakefield Valley Nursery and Whitehouse Nursery are participating to ensure there will be enough flowers to go with the jazz. Two music venues are again slated for the Festival - the stage in Mary Lou Dewey Sculpture Park in front of the Westminster Branch Library at 50 East Main Street and the front lawn of American Auction and Appraisal at 35 West Main Street. The Herb Sell Ensemble, along with the song stylings of Audrey Cimino, will provide dance music for Mike and Tina Foley and the Head Over Heels Dance Troupe from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the Dewey Park Stage. From noon until 4:00 p.m., local middle and high school combos and ensembles will take over the stage and entertain with a variety of jazz and standards. Over at the American Auction & Appraisal venue, The Never Too Late Jazz Band from Carroll Lutheran Village will kick-off the music at 10:00 a.m., followed by the Folly Quarter Middle School Gold Jazz Band at 11:00 a.m. and the Mt. Airy Middle School Jazz Band at 12:00 p.m. Rounding out the musical entertainment at this venue is the Westminster High School Jazz Band from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Manchester Valley High School Jazz band from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the Dan Andrews group from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Carroll County Health Department Safe Kids Program will present “Sports Safety” all day on the Gehr parking lot at the corner of West Main and Liberty Streets. Over 100 food and gift vendor booths, including several downtown merchant booths, will line Main Street for you to find the perfect Mother’s Day present. As always, there will be a free plant at the Information Booth for all Moms who attend the festival.



Some photographic highlights from the 2011 Flower & Jazz Festival

Paint Out Westminster Plein Air Event to be Held with Flower & Jazz Festival on May 12th

Plein Air events are growing in popularity across the state of Maryland for amateur and professional artists alike. The first ever *Paint Out Westminster* will be held in conjunction with Westminster’s ever popular Flower & Jazz Festival on historic Main Street on Saturday, May 12th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registered artists will be placed in picturesque and historic spots from the block of West Main Street where the Carroll Arts Center is located to the 100 block of East Main Street. Artist location maps will be available at the Carroll Arts Center tent located in the Flower & Jazz Festival area. Visitors to Flower & Jazz are encouraged to visit the artists while they are painting. Artists age 18 and older will participate. This event will be held rain or shine. Completed works from this event will be exhibited in the Community Gallery of the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, from May 17th to June 11th and may be viewed during regular Arts Center hours.

Gospel Concert to Benefit Mountain View Bible Camp to be Held at the Carroll Arts Center on May 12th

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, will serve as the site for a Gospel Concert benefitting the Mountain View Bible Camp on Saturday, May 12th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Hosted by Ray Badders, with a dedication by Ken Warfield, the benefit Gospel concert will feature Southern Gospel vocalist Kelly Deaver, Christian folk singer Brett Barry, Christian Gospel Performer Bill Travers, Gospel pianist Bren Shaffer and Gospel bluegrass musicians The Mosleys. Tickets are \$17.00 per person. For tickets please call Danny Deaver at (443) 293-6525.

The Music Café Presents *The Nighthawks* at the Carroll Arts Center on May 13th

The Music Café of Damascus, Maryland, invites you to celebrate Mother's Day with the seminal American roots music band, The Nighthawks, as they hold a CD Release Party on Sunday, May 13th at the beautiful Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street. The doors open 4:00 p.m. for drinks and appetizers. The show starts at 5:00 p.m. While there, get your copy of The Nighthawk's new CD, "Damn Good Time", by Severn Records. Tickets are \$20.00 per person.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *Only the Shadow Shows* on May 14th

Amazing and exciting things are happening in space this summer. An annular solar eclipse will take place on May 20th, and the transit of Venus on June 5th. Don't miss your chance to learn about these unique and amazing events with an expert from the Westminster Astronomical Society as your guide at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Monday, May 14th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *The Muppets* for Family Movie Night on May 16th

Join the Westminster Branch Library staff for an evening of family fun, as they present the film *The Muppets* on Wednesday, May 16th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street. Sit back and relax with family and friends while watching a great movie at the library. They'll even supply the popcorn! Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (410) 386-4488.

Cheryl Wheeler: Live! - Benefit Concert for Human Service Programs of Carroll County on May 18th

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, will be the site of a benefit concert by Cheryl Wheeler for Human Service Programs (HSP) of Carroll County, Inc. on Friday, May 18th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Nationally renowned folk singer and songwriter Cheryl Wheeler has been entertaining audiences for years with her perfect blend of music and humor. Ms. Wheeler's musical range is broad, from gut-busting humor and vitriolic satire, to heart-breaking emotion. Her low key, self-deprecating manner, quirky humor, natural story-telling ability and beautiful voice have made her one of the shining lights of today's folk scene. Cheryl's songs have been covered by artists as diverse as Dan Seals, Bette Midler, Peter Paul and Mary, Kenny Loggins, and Maura O'Connell. General admission tickets are \$25.00 per person. VIP Tickets are \$50.00 per person and include premiere seating closest to the stage, a complimentary wine and cheese reception following the concert and a listing as a donor in both the HSP newsletter and on the HSP website. For more information call the Carroll Arts Center at (410) 848-7272 or Human Service Programs at (410) 857-2999.

Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market Opens for a New Season on May 19th; Adds a 2nd Market on Tuesdays

The Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market will open for its 19th season on Saturday, May 19th. The market is located in the Conaway Parking Lot on Railroad Avenue (MD27), across the street from High's Convenience Store. The farmers' market will be open, rain or shine, every Saturday through November 17th, from 8:00 a.m. until 12 noon. Except for Truffula Seed Produce, all of the market's participants from last year will be returning including Tomatoes Etc., Thorne Farms, Sharon's Baked Goods, De La Tierra Gardens, Nev-R-Dun Farm, Orchard Country Produce and Bakery, Evermore Farm, Hawks Hill Creamery, Lehigh View Farm, Rare Opportunity Farm, Furnace Hills Coffee Co., The Farmer's Daughter, Not from China Gourds and JeannieBird Baking Co. Entertainment on opening day, May 19th, will be Strings on Wings. Beginning May 22nd and running through October 30th, the Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market will be holding a Tuesday afternoon market from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Participating vendors to date for the Tuesday market include Carlhaven Emu Farm, Evermore Farm, Furnace Hills Coffee Co., The Farmer's Daughter, Nev-R-Dun Farm and Tuckeys Fruit and Vegetable Farm. For more information on both of the markets, their products, and their special events throughout the season, check out the markets' website at <http://www.downtownwestminstermarkets.com/>.



Photographs from the 2011 Farmers Market Season from Sunny to Snowy Days

Historical Society's Past Times for Children Series Presents *Memorial Day Parades* on May 19th

The Historical Society of Carroll County is pleased to present *Memorial Day Parades* as this month's topic for the *Past Times for Children* series on Saturday, May 19th, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., in the Koontz-Yingling Learning Center at Cockeys, 216 East Main Street. Westminster has one of the longest running Memorial Day parades in the United States. Your child will celebrate parades through music, creativity and literature. They will create a flag that they will be able to wave at the Westminster Memorial Day parade on May 28th. Through the History Hour program, children from 3 to 6 years old will discover what Carroll County was like in the 1800s. There is a \$5.00 charge for each class per child, and pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call the Historical Society of Carroll County at (410) 848-6494.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *The World of Dollhouses* on May 19th

Join Jeannette Gibby of Gibby's Dollhouse Shoppe as she shares how to make a dream dollhouse at the Westminster Branch Library on Saturday, May 19th, beginning at 10:00 a.m. She will demonstrate how to make accessories and install lighting in a dollhouse as well as create "room boxes". Ms. Gibby will answer any questions about this fascinating hobby for children and adults. Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. Registration for this event begins May 5th. Call the library at (410) 386-4488 for more information.

City Rec & Parks to Celebrate National Kids to Parks Day on May 19th; Will Hold a Small Fry Triathlon

The City of Westminster Recreation and Parks Department is celebrating National Kids to Parks Day, created by the National Park Trust, on Saturday, May 19th, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Enter their *Small Fry Triathlon* at Westminster City Park where children ages 3-6 will run, ride a bicycle or tricycle and "swim" through the sprinkler to the finish line where everyone will receive a medal! Enjoy a FREE snowball. Recreation on the Move, SafeKids Carroll County, bike safety and helmet fit checks will be performed, D.A.R.E. and Paradise of Fun Children FitnessFun Center will be out and about at the park! The Westminster Branch of the Carroll County Public Library will have a book sale in Mary Lou Dewey Park from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Except for the Small Fry Triathlon where there is a \$5.00 entry fee perchild, all events are free. For more information on this exciting event, call (410) 848-9161.

Humanistic Nuts Stand Up Comedy Show at the Carroll Arts Center on May 19th

The Carroll Arts Center will be the site of the *Humanistic Nuts* Stand Up Comedy Show on Saturday, May 19th. Hosted by Randy David, the headliner for the evening will be "DUCK." The doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the show begins at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and \$15.00 at the door. For more information, call (443) 340-1129.

SPEECH PATHways Foundation Presents Milkshake at the Carroll Arts Center on May 20th

The SPEECH PATHways Foundation will mix things up at a FUNdraiser with a special trio performance by members of the Grammy-nominated kids' band, Milkshake, at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Sunday, May 20th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Kids from tiny to 10 will enjoy rockin' out with their parents to Lisa Mathews, Mikel Gehl, and Michael Sheppard of the Milkshake Band in an up-close performance on the Carroll Arts Center stage. The diverse singer/songwriters are well-known among PBS Kids and Discovery Kids fans for their mission to shake out "great rock music for kids." Parents can't help but rock along. All proceeds from this family-friendly concert will benefit the SPEECH PATHways Foundation, a local nonprofit foundation that seeks to improve the lives of children who have communication disorders through grants/scholarships, parent and professional education, and support to the Carroll County community and surrounding areas. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$7.00 for kids. NO tickets will be sold at the door! Purchase advanced tickets by contacting Kimberly Bell at SPEECH PATHways through emailing her at kim.bell@speechpathways.net or by calling (410) 374-0555.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *Fighting with the Filthy Thirteen* on May 22nd

Meet well-known WWII veteran Jack Womer and learn about his experiences fighting as a spearhead of the 'Screaming Eagles' in Normandy, Market Garden and the Battle of the Bulge at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Tuesday, May 22nd, at 2:00p.m. The Screaming Eagles was the most notorious squad of fighting men in the 101st Airborne Division. Womer's story is told in the recently released *Fighting with the Filthy Thirteen, The World War II Story of Jack Womer, Ranger and Paratrooper*. With the help of Steven DeVito, Womer provides an amazingly frank look at close-quarters combat in Europe, as well as the almost surreal experience of dust-bowl-era GI's entering country after country in their grapple with the Wehrmacht, finally ending up in Hitler's mountaintop lair. Copies of *Fighting with the Filthy Thirteen* will be available for purchase and signing.

U.S. Navy Sea Chanters to Perform at the Carroll Arts Center on May 22nd

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to host a performance of the U.S. Navy Sea Chanters on Tuesday, May 22nd, beginning at 7:00 p.m., as part of the 145th Carroll County Memorial Day Observance. The Sea Chanters, the official chorus of the United States Navy, will perform a variety of music from traditional choral pieces, to sea chanteys, to Broadway songs. Admission is free. However, please go to the Carroll Arts Center Box Office for tickets in advance.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *Mariachi Madness* on May 24th

Pull up a chair or spread out a blanket on the grass in the Mary Lou Dewey Sculpture Park in front of the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, and listen as Mariachi sin Nombres shares the essence of Mexico and its people through music on Thursday, May 24th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

One Tree Productions Presents Thursday Evening Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center on May 24th

One Tree Productions is pleased to once again present Thursday Evening Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, May 24th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Hosted by Poet Danuta E. Kosk-Kosicka, featured poets for the evening will be Laura Shovan, and Bruce Sager, Harriss Prize Poetry Winners 2010 & 2011 respectively.

FLICC Presents *Patton* at the Carroll Arts Center on May 25th as part of the 145th Memorial Day Observance

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are pleased to present *Patton* at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, May 25th, at 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. This epic, multi-Oscar Award winning film tells the tale of General George S. Patton, famous tank commander of World War II. The film begins with Patton's career in North Africa and progresses through the invasion of Europe and the fall of the Third Reich. Side plots also speak of Patton's numerous faults such his temper and tendency toward insubordination, faults that would prevent him from becoming the lead American general in the Normandy Invasion, as well as to his being relieved as Occupation Commander of Germany. Admission is free. Seating is on a first come, first served basis.

The 145th Annual Memorial Day Parade and Observance to Occur on May 28th

On Monday, May 28th, the 145th annual Memorial Day Parade will march through Downtown Westminster to the Westminster Cemetery, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The parade will travel down Pennsylvania Avenue to Main Street and head up Main Street to Church Street, where it will turn onto Church Street to enter the cemetery. A Memorial Day Program will commence at the

cemetery, beginning at 11:00 a.m. This year's Parade Grand Marshal and Memorial Day Program Guest Speaker will be Commander Matthew W. Shipley, USN. If the parade is rained out, the Memorial Day Program will be held at the Westminster Family Fitness Center, 10 Longwell Avenue. For more information, contact Daniel Bohn, Parade Chair, at (410) 259-8285.



Photographs from previous Memorial Day Parades in Downtown Westminster

Antique Fire Equipment Parade to Roll Down Main Street on June 2nd

If you want see an interesting array of antique fire-fighting equipment back on the streets, if only for a brief moment in time, Downtown Westminster is the place to be on Saturday, June 2nd. Beginning at 9:45 a.m., the annual Antique Fire Equipment Parade will roll down Pennsylvania Avenue, Main Street and Center Street to the Carroll County Farm Museum for the 43rd Annual Spring Muster and Antique Fire Equipment Show. Bring the kids and the grandkids downtown to this unique parade. Afterwards, visit the downtown shops and eateries, browse the Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market on the Conaway Lot and take in Art in the Park, before heading over to the Farm Museum and the Spring Muster and Antique Fire Equipment Show, which runs from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Some of the antique fire equipment that traveled through Downtown Westminster during last year's Antique Fire Equipment Parade

"Art in the Park" Returns to the Grounds of City Hall on June 2nd

"Art in the Park 2012" returns to the grounds of Westminster City Hall, rain or shine, on Saturday, June 2nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Carroll County Arts Council has partnered with the City of Westminster for over three decades to present this annual outdoor cultural festival. Attracting a large, loyal audience of art enthusiasts, "Art in the Park" is a juried event that features over 50 local and regional artists and artisans in a relaxed, festive atmosphere. Not only does "Art in the Park" have terrific contemporary to traditional visual art for sale and viewing, it also offers strolling musicians, art demonstrations, unique food and a variety of family activities throughout the day. The grounds have been carefully planned to offer ADA accessibility, so everyone can enjoy the event. The event is free to the public and located behind City Hall between Locust Street and Longwell Avenue in Downtown Westminster. Festival patrons are encouraged to park free in the Longwell Parking Garage, which is adjacent to the park. For more info, call the Carroll County Arts Council at (410) 848-7272.



Some Photos from Art in the Park 2011

Westminster Branch Library Presents Amazing Space on June 5th

The transit of Venus is among the rarest astronomical phenomena and won't happen again until the year 2117. Join the Westminster Astronomical Society, Inc. at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Tuesday, June 5th, at 5:30 p.m. for games, activities, and the viewing of Venus. So prepare now and don't miss out on this extremely special event! Children 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

"Songs at 6:30" Concert Series Returns on Thursday, June 7th

Great musical sounds will abound along Main Street on Thursdays during the months of June and July, as the "Songs at 6:30" Concert Series returns to the stage in the Mary Lou Dewey Sculpture Park in front of the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Thursday, June 7th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Performers in the concert series include When Thunder Comes on June 7th, Jeremy Norris on June 14th, Number 1 Cause on June 21st, The Tim Jenkins Group on June 28th, Bronson & His Earthlings on July 5th, No Saints Band on July 12th, Mason Vixon on July 19th and Bone Dri on July 26th. Each concert runs from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Come relax and

enjoy the music. Even better yet, support your local downtown eateries by either getting downtown early and having dinner prior to the concerts or buying a hoagie or a slice of pizza to eat while listening to the music. The Downtown Westminster Main Street Program and Coffey Music are the sponsors of "Songs at 6:30" Concert Series.



"Songs at 6:30" Concert Series performers for June will be (l-r) When Thunder Comes, Jeremy Norris, Number 1 Cause & Tim Jenkins

LaxMax/Westminster Lacrosse Festival Returns to Westminster on June 8th - 10th

More than 250 teams and 15,000 spectators are expected to descend upon Westminster for the 2012 Westminster Lacrosse Festival, also known as the 18th Annual LaxMax Tournament, to be held on Friday, June 8th through Sunday, June 10th. While most of the competition fields will be located outside of the downtown area, there will be games played at East Middle School in Downtown Westminster and possibly even some at Westminster City Park. Additionally, a Saturday evening event for the participants and their families is scheduled for City Park that will surely draw a crowd downtown. To find out more about the lacrosse festival and where things are happening in and around Westminster that weekend, visit the festival's website at <http://www.westminsterlacrossefestival.com/> often as it builds toward the event.

Vermont Military Band Returns to Perform an Outdoor Evening Concert in Belle Grove Square on June 8th

The Newmont Military Band of Windsor, Vermont will perform a free outdoor evening concert in Belle Grove Square Park on Friday, June 8th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The band is a re-creation of the small town brass bands of the late 1800s. Their program will be representative of the music played on the town green in the late 19th century. There will be songs of "the war," songs of love, marches (including Sousa's), dances, and songs from the old plantations. The 23-member band's musical selections are chosen from American Band and Windsor Military Band programs documented in the Claremont (NH) Advocate and the Vermont Journal between the years of 1890 and 1905. Following their performance in Westminster, they will head to Gettysburg to perform two concerts at the Gettysburg Brass Band Festival on Saturday and Sunday. In the event of rain, the concert will be held in the old Longwell Armory at 11 Longwell Avenue. P.S. Don't forget to bring your own chair or blanket, just like in the good old days!

USAF Heritage Brass to Perform a Free Concert at the Carroll Arts Center on June 10th

The Carroll Arts Center is pleased to host a concert by the United States Air Force Heritage Brass on Sunday, June 10th, at 3:00 p.m. Established in 1973, Heritage Brass tours the Mid-Atlantic region from South Carolina to Delaware, always leaving audiences impressed and delighted with the ensemble's world-class musicianship and entertaining showmanship. From classical to jazz and popular music, from Bach to the Beatles, the quintet brings its brilliant brass sound to all music genres, providing a variety of music that's as educational as it is exciting. Admission is free. However, to reserve seats for this free concert, please go to the Carroll Arts Center website (<http://www.carrollcountycastle.org/>) and click the buy tickets online button and enter your contact information.

Bringing the Civil War to Life for Kids: Joshua Chamberlain at the Westminster Branch Library on June 11th

Join local historian Michael Eckard as he talks about Joshua Chamberlain, the Hero of Gettysburg, at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Monday, June 11th, at 2:00 p.m. The program will include selected readings, lots of interactive Q & A, and a discussion of Chamberlain's experiences in the Civil War, including how he went from college professor to soldier. Mr. Eckard will bring along artifacts from his personal collection, with hands-on time at the end of the program. Call (410) 386-4488 for more information.

Carroll County and Rural Free Delivery is the Topic of June 12th's Box Lunch Talk

On April 3, 1899, Westminster Postmaster Edwin Shriver set out in his "post office on wheels" to deliver mail to the homes of rural families. This marked the beginning of the Rural Free Delivery of mail to all customers around the county. Join Jim Shriver as he takes a look at Carroll County's role in the development of this controversial project and delves into first-person accounts of the early deliveries and their impact on local communities at the Box Lunch Talk on Tuesday, June 12th. Presented by the Historical Society of Carroll County (HSCC), The Box Lunch Talks are a monthly lecture series on topics relating to local history. The talks are held the second Tuesday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. at Carroll Post #31 of the American Legion at the corner of East Green and Sycamore Streets. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch. Beverages and dessert are provided for all. Admission is \$1.00 for Historical Society members and \$4.00 for non-members.

Sizzlin' Hot! Heats Up the Tevis Gallery on June 14th

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to present *Sizzlin' Hot* in the Tevis Gallery from June 14th through August 4th during regular Arts Center hours. Summer makes us think of long hot days, high humidity, welcome rain showers and cooling foods. It also reminds us to change up our wardrobe from the darkness of winter and the freshness of spring to screaming bold tropical patterns and colors, sunglasses and flip flops. Summer frees our beings to enjoy longer days, time spent out of doors and perhaps, a longed-for vacation. This exhibit features paintings and mixed media with colors as hot as the pavement on a summer afternoon. These artists have no fear of brilliant colors, bold patterns and dynamic compositions. Cityscapes, music, rhythmic patterns, fashion and action will fill the walls of the Tevis gallery for a summery delight for the senses. Artists in this exhibit include: Charles Cooper, Mark Cottman, Lyndi McNulty, Quest Skinner and Vickie Stata-Bauer. An Artists' Reception will be held on Thursday, June 14th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Carroll Arts Center Presents *Hubba Hubba Hub Cap* in the Hall Gallery Beginning June 14th

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to present *Hubba Hubba Hub Cap* in the Hall Gallery from June 14th through July 30th during regular Arts Center hours. Canvas and paper are only two of the many possible surfaces for artwork. Consider the hub cap. Long considered by car enthusiasts to be a work of art all its own, and once very expensive to own, have now become a mere piece of plastic. This exhibit once again elevates the discarded, found along the side of the road hub cap into a unique one-of-a-kind artwork in a community setting. There is an open call for artists for this exhibit. Visit the Carroll Art Center's website at <http://www.carrollcountycouncil.org/> for more registration information. Registration to participate closes on Friday, May 11th. An Artists' Reception will be held on Thursday, June 14th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Have a Seat in the Community Gallery on June 14th

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to present *Have a Seat* in the Community Gallery from June 14th through July 30th during regular Arts Center hours. *Have a Seat* features works of art created by the Carroll County Artists Guild. This is an intriguing exhibit about a common phrase interpreted in various styles and media. Paintings range from a simple chair study to a landscape with a lone chair to the chair itself. Works will be created in oils, acrylic, watercolors and mixed media from realism to abstraction. An Artists' Reception will be held on Thursday, June 14th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Giulianova Presents Kelly Bell on June 15th

The dynamic duo is back in action - Chef Billy Schroeder and Kelly Bell - at Giulianova Groceria & Italian Deli, 11 East Main Street, on Friday, June 15th, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Chef Billy will prepare a North Carolina Whole Hog Roast while the incomparable Kelly Bell performs an acoustic show. Tickets are \$60.00 per person. For tickets and information, call Billy Schroeder at (410) 876-7425.

Historical Society's Past Times for Children Series Presents *The Civil War Comes to Westminster* on June 16th

The Historical Society of Carroll County is pleased to present *The Civil War Comes to Westminster* as this month's topic for the *Past Times for Children* series on Saturday, June 16th, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., in the Koontz-Yingling Learning Center at Cockeys, 216 East Main Street. Your child will learn the basics of the Civil War through pictures, stories and creativity. They will make a clothespin soldier to take home. The following weekend is Westminster's Corbit's Charge Commemoration, a living history encampment commemorating the Battle of Westminster in June 1863. What a great tie-in for the kids! Through the History Hour program, children from 3 to 6 years old will discover what Carroll County was like in the 1800s. There is a \$5.00 charge for each class per child, and pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call the Historical Society of Carroll County at (410) 848-6494.

Carroll Arts Center Presents *Unforgettable: A Tribute to Nat King Cole* by the Eric Byrd Trio on June 16th

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to present a tribute concert entitled *Unforgettable: A Tribute to Nat King Cole* on Saturday, June 16th, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The Eric Byrd Trio will be joined by vocalist Carey Smith for this special tribute performance. Tickets are \$14.00 for adults and \$12.00 for Arts Council members, students under 18 and seniors 60 years & over. For tickets or more information, call (410) 848-7272.

***The Adventures of Tintin* Kicks Off the Free Summer Kids Movie Series at the Carroll Arts Center on June 19th**

Beginning on June 19th and running through July 31st, the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, will be presenting free kids movies on Tuesday evenings; starting at 7:00 p.m. *The Adventures of Tintin* kicks off the festivities. Directed by Steven Spielberg, *The Adventures of Tintin* is a classic adventure tale that follows the intrepid young reporter Tintin and Captain Haddock as they set off on a treasure hunt for a sunken ship commanded by Haddock's ancestor.

Upcoming films in the series include:

June 26th - *Rango*

July 3rd - *Puss in Boots*

July 10th - *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*

July 17th - *Nanny McPhee*

July 24th - *Coraline*

July 31st - *Big Miracle*

Admission is free, with no advance reservations required.



Covers of the films to be shown as part of the Summer Kids Movie Series at the Carroll Arts Center

The Fun Company Presents *Heidi* at the Carroll Arts Center on June 20th

The Fun Company presents two showings of this fun adaptation of *Heidi* at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Wednesday, June 20th, at 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Kidnapped by her cruel aunt and sent to live in the city with a strict housekeeper and sick cousin, young Heidi struggles to remain optimistic, wondering if her grandfather is searching for her. While dreaming of her peaceful life atop the Swiss Alps, Heidi gets into mischief and makes surprising new friends, changing the lives of everyone she meets. The production is adapted from the classic 1880 novel by Johanna Spyri. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, students under 18 and seniors 60 years & over. For tickets or more information, call the Arts Center at (410) 848-7272.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *Hugo* for Family Movie Night on June 20th

Join the Westminster Branch Library staff for an evening of family fun, as they present the film *Hugo* on Wednesday, June 20th, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street. Sit back and relax with family and friends while watching a great movie at the library. They'll even supply the popcorn! Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (410) 386-4488.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *The Magic of Roger Lindsay* on June 22nd

Summer Reading ambassador Roger Lindsay transports kids aged 4 to 104 to a realm of magical happenings, illusions, and laughter at the Westminster Branch Library, 50 East Main Street, on Friday, June 22nd, at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Join Prop the Magic Bunny as he and Mr. Lindsay amaze and amuse in this show loaded with audience participation. You never know what surprises await you! Registration is required for both children and adults planning to attend with children. Children age 3 and under must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. Registration for these events begins June 8th. Call (410) 386-4488 for more information.

FLICC Presents *My Week with Marilyn* at the Carroll Arts Center on June 22nd

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are pleased to present *My Week with Marilyn* at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, June 22nd, at 7:30 p.m. In the early summer of 1956, 23 year old Colin Clark worked as a lowly assistant on the set of "The Prince and the Showgirl" with Sir Laurence Olivier and Marilyn Monroe. Forty years later his diary account was published, but one week was missing. This film is the story of that week: an idyll in which he escorted a Monroe desperate to get away from her retinue of Hollywood hangers-on and the pressures of working. When Arthur Miller makes a brief trip to Paris, the coast is clear for Colin to introduce her to some of the pleasures of British life. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, students under 18 and seniors 60 years & over. For more information and tickets, call (410) 848-7272.

Commemoration of the 149th Anniversary of Corbit's Charge is Slated for June 23rd - 24th

If it wasn't for the Battle of Westminster, more commonly known as Corbit's Charge, 149 years ago, we all might be speaking with a Southern accent, or so the story goes. The skirmish in Downtown Westminster delayed General J.E.B. Stuart and his 5,000 Confederate cavalymen from reaching Gettysburg until July 2, 1863, the 2nd day of the Battle of Gettysburg. Join the Corbit's Charge Commemoration Committee in remembering the event that occurred 149 years ago by attending a weekend of activities on June 23rd and June 24th. The Commemorative Weekend begins on the morning of Saturday, June 23rd, as the Civil War encampment, located on the grounds of the Carroll County Multi-Service Center at 224 North Center Street, opens and features civilian and military re-enactors, artisans, sutlers, drill and firing demonstrations, camp life demonstrations, children's games, and museum displays. The annual parade to the Corbit's Charge Monument and Lt. Murray's gravesite in the cemetery of the Ascension Episcopal Church, will take place at 12:30 p.m., followed by a wreath-laying ceremony. Saturday afternoon will have a period dance demonstration beginning at 2:30 p.m. Noted American concert tenor and musicologist Douglas Jimerson will perform a concert of Civil War-period patriotic and popular music at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday evening. Sunday's encampment activities begin with a Civil War tent-style church service at 10:00 a.m. Guided walking tours of the battle site will be offered Sunday afternoon. The encampment will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, with various demonstrations throughout the day. All events are FREE and open to the public. For more information on the event, visit http://www.pccwrt.org/Corbits_Charge.htm.



Some photographs from last year's Corbit's Charge event

Sankofa Dance Theatre Presents *Village Dance* at the Carroll Arts Center on June 27th

The Sankofa Dance Theatre will present two performances of *Village Dance* at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Wednesday, June 27th, at 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Experience the vibration, energy and pounding rhythms of Africa in a performance by this award-winning ensemble. Sankofa's performances are designed to introduce young audiences to African dance and drumming. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, students under 18 and seniors 60 years & over. For tickets or more information, call the Arts Center at (410) 848-7272.

One Tree Productions Presents Thursday Evening Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center on June 28th

One Tree Productions is pleased to once again present Thursday Evening Poetry at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, June 28th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Hosted by Poet Laurie Precht, featured poets for the evening will be "Send Write Read" Poetry Project Poets.

Westminster Branch Library Presents *Night Shift: Animals at Night* on June 29th

When the sun sets, the "night shift" animals come on duty! Learn about the special senses that allow these animals to navigate in the dark. The Maryland Zoomobile staff will test your nocturnal sensory skills while you get to meet zoo creatures of the night when they visit the Westminster Branch Library on Friday, June 29th, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Registration for this event begins June 15th. Call the Westminster Branch Library at (410) 386-4488 for more information.

Downtown Business Happenings
Great Things to Check Out

- **Birdie's Café** at 233 East Main Street has the following live musical performances presently slated for May and June: May 11th - Kevin Schlereth from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and June 9th - Grace Dan & the Fam from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Don't forget **Birdie's Café's** monthly poetry series, The Corner of Poetry and Main that is held on the third Saturday of every month from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at the café, which will occur on May 19th and June 16th. **Birdie's** now hosts Open Mic Nights on the 1st Saturdays of the month from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. You must sign-up at 5:00 p.m. to perform that evening.
- **CUP Tea Bar & Café** at 7 East Main Street has announced their Saturday Live Lunch concerts schedule for May. Performers currently scheduled include: May 5th - Lydia Bandy; May 12th -booksigning event with local children's author Joseph Fleck; May 19th - Rick Hill; and May 26th - Atticus Emerson. All performances are from noon to 2:00 p.m. For future performers and other events, check out their Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/CUP-Tea-Bar-Cafe/197641980301952?sk=wall>.
- Beginning May 19th, **Giulianova Groceria & Italian Deli**, 11 East Main Street, will be offering "Pit Beef on Main Street" every Saturday until October from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Giulianova will be offering pit ham, pit beef, and pit turkey, along with other seasonal treats. To kick off the promotion on May 19th, Christopher James will be performing live blues from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be Piaci Brand Cheese tastings and Cortazzo BBQ Sauce tastings to boot from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. WTTN will be broadcasting live from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Go check it out! Culinary delights will also once again flourish at **Giulianova's** with a cooking class in June entitled "Local Berry Night" on Thursday, June 21st. From 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., using locally-sourced berries, learn how to make blueberry cobbler with vanilla gelato; strawberry sorbet; and raspberry cheesecake. The cost of the class is \$30.00 per person. To sign-up for these classic culinary events, call Billy at (410) 876-7425.
- **Harry's Main Street Grille**, 65 West Main Street, will be open for a special Mother's Day Brunch on Sunday, May 13th. Open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., **Harry's** will be offering made-to-order omelets, bacon & sausage, hotcakes with fruit toppings, hash brown potatoes, carved pineapple ham, beef and turkey, steamed shrimp, sushi, crab casserole, chicken marsala, jambalaya tortellini carbonara and many more favorites. Mimosas, Bloody Marys, beer and wine will be available after 11:00 a.m., with a free Mimosa to every Mom. The brunch is \$23.95 for adults, \$12.95 for children ages 4-9 and \$6.95 for children under 4. The last seating is at 2:00 p.m. For reservations, call (410) 848-7080.
- **Johansson's Dining House** at 4 West Main Street, has live music scheduled in the Two-Headed Pheasant Pub for Friday evenings in May from 9:30 pm to 12:30 am. The current performance schedule is as follows: May 4th - Ken Heeter; March 11th - Moe Stringz; and May 18th - Brian Farley. **Johansson's** will also be hosting the 11th Annual Cystic Fibrosis Fundraiser on Thursday, May 17th, from 6:00 p.m. until closing. Drop in for a fun night and a good cause. There will be a silent auction, raffles and guest bartenders, with all proceeds to benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Raptor Productions Karaoke will provide the entertainment.
- **Maggie's Restaurant**, 310 East Green Street, becomes **Cinco de Maggie's** on Saturday, May 5th, with drink specials, buttons, giveaways and the band Gravy playing in the pub from 8:00 p.m. until midnight. **Maggie's** will have live music on Saturday evenings from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., except for May 5th as noted above, in May and June. The performance schedule is: May 5th - Gravy; May 12th - Rich & Famous; May 19th - Greg Gotleib; May 26th - Plan B; June 2nd - Henry Mulhenrick & Ellis; June 9th - Chris Schoberg; June 16th - X2; June 23rd - 4D and June 30th - Gary & The Groove.
- **O'Lordans Irish Pub** at 14 Liberty Street will have live music on Saturday nights from 9:00 p.m. to Midnight during May and June. The current performance schedule is as follows: May 5th - NUA; May 12th - John Jeffries; May 19th - Moe Stringz; May 26th - Greg & Richie; June 2- Chris Swam; June 9th - One Third Wish; and June 23rd - Finnegan's Woo. Don't forget that traditional Irish music sessions are held the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. These sessions are open to all levels and all traditional Irish and Celtic musicians and listeners. To check out **O'Lordan's** great menu and beverages, go to www.olordansirishpub.com.
- **O'Lordans Irish Pub** and **Westminster Cigars** will be hosting "Pint & Puff" Parties on the patio of **O'Lordans Irish Pub** at 14 Liberty Street on Thursday, May 17th, and Thursday, June 21st, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Each "Puff & Pint" features a different imported cigar maker and attendees receive additional cigars with their purchases to try. Cigar giveaways and specials will also abound at the event, along with an extended Happy Hour!
- Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at **Papa Joe's Restaurant** at 27 East Main Street (Rear). They'll be offering \$5.00 specials on May 5th. From 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., get 2 beers, a small cheese quesadilla, a small chicken quesadilla or a small vegetable quesadilla for \$5.00 each. Original margaritas and small ground beef & cheese nachos will be available at \$5.00 each until 9:00 p.m. Join **Cinco Mania** at **Papa Joe's**!
- **Rafael's**, 32 West Main Street, has karaoke with Jon Ardisson every Wednesday from 9:00 p.m. to midnight in May and June. On Thursday evenings, DJ Chris McDonald will spin the tunes from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. **Rafael's** current live music schedule for May and June is as follows: May 5th - Ben Sherman; May 12th - Steve May; May 19th - Chain Links; May 26th - Rich Fehle; June 1st - Ben Sherman; June 8th - GnR; June 23rd - Rich Fehle and June 30th - Chain Links. All performances run from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. For more information on what is happening at **Rafael's**, call (410) 840-1919 or visit the website calendar at <http://rafaelsrestaurant.com/vcalendar/>.
- **Coffey Music** at 31 East Main Street continues to host open Bluegrass Jams on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. Whether you're a picker, grinner or listener, you are welcome to join them. The jam will start at 7:00 p.m. and will be held on their showroom floor. They'll also have an upright bass available for anyone to use. Coming this summer to **Coffey Music** is Rock Boot Camp. Students will perform together as a full band with instructions from expert musicians. The Rock Boot Camp is open to guitarist, bassists and drummers of all levels. Bands will be formed based on skill level. Camp dates are June 25th -29th, July 9th - 13th, July 23rd - 27th and August 6th - 10th. All camps run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuition is \$295.00 per person and includes lunch. For more information on the Rock Boot Camp, visit <http://www.coffeymusic.com/>.

Anniversaries...

- Congratulations to Keith Forney of **Gotham Comics** on the 9th Anniversary of the business in Downtown Westminster. **Gotham Comics** is located in the Winchester Exchange Building at 15 East Main Street in Suite B-1. **Gotham Comics** will be having an Anniversary event on May 18th and 19th. Visit their website for more information at <http://www.gotham-comics.com/>.
- **Totalee Funkee Thrift Shop**, 2-C Bond Street, is celebrating its 3rd Anniversary with a "3 Years of Funkeenness" Party on Saturday, May 12th, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Drop by, shop and wish Mitz continued success.

If you have a downtown business happening or an event you want to share with the Westminster Main Street Community, please feel free to email Stan Ruchlewicz at sruchlewicz@westgov.com. Your information should be submitted to Stan Ruchlewicz before the last full week of February, April, June, August, October and December for inclusion in the next issue.